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1. In accordance with reference (a), USS THUNDERBOLT (PC 12) Command History for calendar year 1998 is submitted.

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D. P. SHAW

PART 2: CHRONOLOGY

- A. January 01-23 February 1998 Ship is in the yards going through Docking Phase Maintenance Availability.
- B. January 01-04, 1998 Holiday Leave Period II.
- C. January 05-08, 1998 SR (b) (6) reported onboard for duty, Conducted Combat Pistol Course for selected crewmembers.
- D. January 05-07, 1998 LT Shaw attends Commanding Officers Conference.
- E. January 06, 1998 EM3 (b) (6) and OS1 (b) (6) re-enlisted.
- F. January 07, 1998 Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist board held for EM1 (b) (6) and EN1 (b) (6)
- G. January 12, 1998 Conducted Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) at CSBR 2.
- H. January 13-15, 1998 Commenced Pre Light Off Training II (PLOT II).
- I. January 19, 1998 Conducted Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist board for IC1 (b) (6). Observed Martin Luther King Day.
- J. January 22, 1998 Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation training conducted for IC1 (b) (6) EM1 (b) (6) ET2 Callaway and EM3 (b) (6)
- K. January 27, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- L. January 30, 1998 EN1 (b) (6) detached. Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- M. February 01, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- N. February 01-02, 1998 Commenced Hot and Cold Checks on both SSDG's.
- O. February 06, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- P. February 06-07, 1998 Conducted Light Off Assessment Training.
- Q. February 09, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- R. February 10, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- S. February 13, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- T. February 14, 1998 Conducted Main Space Fire Drill in a trailer classroom at Colonna's Shipyard.
- U. February 13-17, 1998 Conducted Light Off Assessment Training.
- V. February 16, 1998 Placed the ship in an Engineering Training

Team/Damage Control Training Team environment (ETT/DCTT) to conduct Engineering and Damage Control Drills.

- W. February 20, 1998 Conducted Light Off of the Engineering Plant.
- X. February 21, 1998 Conducted Fast Cruise in preparation for getting underway.
- Y. February 23, 1998 Underway from Colonna's Shipyard enroute to NAB Little Creek, VA., Moored NAB Little Creek, VA. Held Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 conference room.
- Z. February 25-27, 1998 Commenced Coast Guard Standard Assessment.
- AA. March 02, 1998 United States Coast Guard moves aboard.
- AB. March 02-06, 1998 PC Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) Development Board attended by OS1 (b) (6)
- AC. March 02-20, 1998 Naval Special Warfare Armorer School attended by GM2 (b) (6)
- AD. March 02-13, 1998 Commenced Turnover of USS THUNDERBOLT with the United States Coast Guard.
- AE. March 04-17, 1998 Stinger School Attended by SM3 (b) (6) ET2 Callaway and EN2 (b) (6)
- AF. March 05, 1998 USS THUNDERBOLT placed in "Special Commission" as LCDR Matthew E. Miller assumed command from LT Daniel P. Shaw for an Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E). LCDR Miller assumed responsibility for hull. LT Shaw retained command of the USN crew.
- AG. March 10-11, 1998 Respirator Protection School attended by BMC (b) (6)
- AH. March 11, 1998 Orientation conducted at Children's Hospital Of the Kings Daughters for several crewmembers to begin community volunteer service.
- AI. March 13, 1998 Conducted Small Arms Gun Shoot at Pungo Small Arms Range.
- AJ. March 16, 1998 Commenced volunteer work at Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters.
- AK. March 16-20, 1998 Propulsion Control Seminar attended by the Engineers.
- AL. March 16-27, 1998 Culinary Arts School Attended by MS1 (b) (6)
- AM. March 16-04 April, 1998 Advanced Shipboard Communications Manager School Attended by RM1 (b) (6)
- AN. March 17, 1998 Navy Rights and Responsibilities workshop conducted for several crewmembers
- AO. March 17-19, 1998 Sexual Assault Victims Advocate Training attended

by BMC (b) (6).

- AP. March 17-19, 1998 Mission Planning School attended by LT Shaw, LT (b) (6) LTJG (b) (6) OS1 (b) (6) and GM1 (b) (6)
- AQ. March 23-27, 1998 Navigation Piloting School Attended by QM3 (b) (6) and Electro Optics Night Vision School attended by GM2 (b) (6)
- AR. March 30-02 April, 1998 Paxman Diesel School attended by DC1 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) and EN2 (b) (6)
- AS. March 30-03 April, 1998 Transitional Assistance Program(TAP) attended by RM3 (b) (6)
- AT. April 02, 1998 Conducted Safety Stand down, Conducted Visit Board Search and Seizure(VBSS)/Gun Crew Training. VBSS Team consists of LT (b) (6) LT (b) (6) BMC (b) (6) BM1 (b) (6), DC1 (b) (6) IC1 (b) (6) GM1 (b) (6) ET2 Callaway, GM2 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) and ENFN (b) (6) Gun Crews consist of LT (b) (6) BMC (b) (6) GM1 (b) (6) IC1 (b) (6) EM1 (b) (6) DC1 (b) (6) GM2 (b) (6) ET2 (b) (6), EN2 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) EM# (b) (6) and ENFN (b) (6)
- AU. April 03, 1998 Conducted Collapsible Baton (ASP) Training with the Visit Board Search and Seizure Team.
- AV. April 06-10, 1998 Transition Assistance Program attended by EN2 (b) (6)
- AW. Held a Family Support Group Picnic at NAB Little Creek Picnic grounds.
- AX. April 06-9, 1998 Conducted training, at Fort AP Hill, for the Gun Crews with the Naval Special Warfare Training Team.
- AY. April 09, 1998 Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist Board held for MS1 (b) (6)
- AZ. April 10, 1998 CTT2 (b) (6) reports onboard for duty.
- BA. April 13-16, 1998 Paxman Diesel School attended by EM1 (b) (6) and EM3 (b) (6)
- BB. April 13-17, 1998 Non-Morse Cryptologic Afloat School attended by CTT2 (b) (6)
- BC. April 13-17, 1998 Combat Pistol/Shotgun Course conducted on the Eastern Shore for the Visit Board Search and Seizure (VBSS) Team by the Naval Special Warfare Training Team.
- BD. April 20-25, 1998 Conducted Visit Board Search and Seizure (VBSS) Training.
- BE. April 20-02 May, 1998 LT Shaw and QM3 (b) (6) are TAD to USS Shamal (PC13) conducting MK V Interoperability Training. LT Shaw left Shamal at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads to attend CINCSO J5OF pre-command course.
- BF. April 22-24, 1998 Educational Services Officer School attended by LTJG (b) (6)

BG. April 26, 1998 Held a Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 conference room.

BH. April 27-15 May, 1998 Spanish Course attended BMC (b) (6) OS1 (b) (6) and SM3 (b) (6)

BI. April 27-01 May, 1998 Combat Rubber Raiding Craft Training (CRRC) conducted by Naval Special Warfare Training Team for IC1 (b) (6) BM1 (b) (6) GM2 (b) (6) ET2 Callaway, EN2 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) ENFN (b) (6) GM1 (b) (6)

BJ. May 01, 1998 LTJG (b) (6) reported for duty.

BK. May 04, 1998 Conducted Drop Zone Training by Naval Special Warfare Training Team for LT Shaw, LT (b) (6) LTJG (b) (6) OS1 (b) (6) GM1 (b) (6) QM1 (b) (6) QM3 (b) (6) and RM2 (b) (6)

BL. May 04-07, 1998 Transition Assistance Program (TAP) attended by BM1 (b) (6)

BM. May 04-08, 1998 Basic Boat Coxswain School attended by RM1 (b) (6) ET2 (b) (6) and EM3 (b) (6)

BN. May 05-07, 1998 Customs School attended by the Weapons Officer LTJG (b) (6)

BO. May 07, 1998 Administrative Discharge Seminar attended by LTJG (b) (6)

BP. May 11-14, 1998 Paxman Diesel School attended by EN2 (b) (6) EN2 (b) (6) MK19 40 MM Operational Maintenance School attended by GM1 (b) (6) DC1 (b) (6) IC1 (b) (6) and EM3 (b) (6)

BQ. May 12, 1998 Family Advocacy Program Seminar attended by ENC (b) (6)

BR. May 18-20, 1998 Transition Assistance Program (TAP) attended by LT (b) (6)

BS. May 18-22, 1998 Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat Coxswain (RHIB) School attended by RM1 (b) (6) ET2 Callaway and EM3 (b) (6) Landing Signalman Enlisted School attended by QM3 (b) (6) Gas Free Engineering School attended by IC1 (b) (6) EM1 (b) (6) and EN2 (b) (6)

BT. May 21, 1998 Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Course attended by all hands.

BU. May 21-22, 1998 Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation Instructor Course attended by DC1 (b) (6) and ENFN (b) (6)

BV. May 21-26, 1998 Afloat Counter drug Operations School attended by CTT2 (b) (6)

BW. May 25, 1998 Observed Memorial Day.

BX. May 26, 1998 Dress Whites Personnel Inspection. Resource Training attended by all hands.

BY. May 26-29, 1998 PC Communications School attended by RM1 (b) (6) and ET2 Callaway.

BZ. May 27-29, 1998 Analyst Workstation School attended by CTT2 (b) (6)

CA. May 28, 1998 Navy Drug Screening Program Seminar attended by BMC (b) (6) and ENC (b) (6)

CB. May 29-30, 1998 American Cancer Society Relay for Life held at NAB Little Creek, VA.

CC. June 01-19, 1998 Special Warfare Interoperability Intelligence Course attended by CTT2 (b) (6)

CD. June 01-15, 1998 Maintenance and Upkeep period for USCGC THUNDERBOLT in NAB Little Creek, VA. Completed Diesel Engineering Inspection.

CE. June 06-19, 1998 RM2 (b) (6) gets underway with USS WHIRLWIND for training and to participate in MARCOT Training Exercise.

CF. June 08-12, 1998 Conducted Small Arms Gun Shoot at Pungo Small Arms Range. LTJG (b) (6) relieved LT (b) (6) as Weapons Officer June 8.

CG. June 15-18, 1998 Transitional Assistance Program attended by EM1 (b) (6) GM1 (b) (6) and DC1 (b) (6)

CH. June 19, 1998 Conducted Small Arms Gun Shoot at Pungo Small Arms Range.

CI. June 22-24, 1998 Petty Officer Indoctrination attended by ENFN (b) (6) Command Assessment Readiness Team (CART) Ship Board Trainer attended by LT (b) (6) OS1 (b) (6) DC1 (b) (6) and IC1 (b) (6)

CJ. June 22-26, 1998 Stinger Regualification School attended by GM1 (b) (6) and GM2 (b) (6)

CK. June 24-26, 1998 Own Force Monitoring School attended by CTT2 (b) (6)

CL. June 29-30, 1998 Conducted a Safety Stand down prior to conclusion of OT&E. Held Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 conference room.

CM. July 01, 1998 Conducted 2nd Class Swimmer Test at the Spec War Pool.

CN. July 02-03, 1998 Advance Party consisting of LT Shaw, LT (b) (6) BMC (b) (6) and ET2 Callaway arrive in Lubec, Maine.

CO. July 03-05, 1998 Port visit Lubec, Maine.

CP. July 05-06, 1998 USCGC THUNDERBOLT enroute NAB Little Creek, VA.

CQ. July 06, 1998 USCGC THUNDERBOLT arrives NAB Little Creek, VA.

CR. July 07-09, 1998 United States Coast Guard crew moves ashore.

- CS. July 13-14, 1998 Afloat Cryptologic Maritime Collection School attended by CTT2 (b) (6)
- CT. July 13-16, 1998 Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment to conduct Main Space Fire Drills and Engineering Training.
- CU. July 17, 1998 Ceremony held to transfer custody of THUNDERBOLT back to the U.S. Navy.
- CV. July 18, 1998 Conducted an 8 hour Fast Cruise.
- CW. July 19-22, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek to VACAPES Oparea. The following Training/Evolutions were conducted: Full Power Demo, Dockside Maneuvering, Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training (ETT/DCTT) Anchoring Training, Towing Exercise, Abandon ship Drill, General Quarters (GQ) Guns, Seamanship Training Team/Combat Systems Training (STT/CSTT), Engineering Evolutions, Man Overboard, Ship Handling and Precision Anchoring. Moored NAB Little Creek, VA.
- CX. July 20-07 August, 1998 Advanced Spanish School attended by OSI (b) (6)
- CY. July 23, 1998 Underway from Pier 61 enroute the Quay Wall for Ammunitions Onload. Conducted Ammunitions Onload. Returned to Pier 61.
- CZ. July 24, 1998 Conducted Refueling at Pier 61.
- DA. July 27-31, 1998 Commenced Command Assessment Readiness Training (CART).
- DB. August 03-07, 1998 Commenced Tailored Ships Training Assessment I, ETG.
- DC. August 03, 1998 Commenced Hot/Cold Checks
- DD. August 04, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. enroute Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA. LTJG (b) (6) relieved as Operations Officer by LT. (b) (6) LTJG (b) (6) sent TAD to Commander Special Boat Squadron 2
- DE. August 05, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DF. August 06, 1998 Refueled the ship.
- DG. August 08, 1998 Several crewmembers participated in an 8K run held at NOB.
- DH. August 09-14, 1998 Commenced Tailored Ships Training Assessment I, FTG. Held Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 conference room.
- DI. August 10-13, 1998 Conducted engineering walk through drills.

Conducted various training to include Fuel Oil Quality Management, Hearing Conservation, Jacket Water Test Treatment, Tag Out Procedures and Legal Records and Operating Logs. SM3 (b) (6) detached 13 August after being found unsuitable for the Navy.

- DJ. August 17-21, 1998 Commenced Tailored Ships Training Assessment II, ETG.
- DK. August 17, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DL. August 18, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to Conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Integrated Training Team (ITT) Environment to conduct a swept channel and low visibility exercise. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DM. August 19-20, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DN. August 21, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA. Conducted out brief with ETG.
- DO. August 24, 1998 Underway to pier 19 to refuel. Returned to pier 61 NAB Little Creek.
- DP. August 25, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis MD. for hurricane evasion. Arrived at U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis MD.
- DQ. August 25-28, 1998 Inport U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis MD for hurricane evasion.
- DR. August 26, 1998 Underway from U.S. Naval Academy enroute to Nab Little Creek, VA. Arrived NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DS. August 31- September 01, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- DT. September 02, 1998 Commenced preparations for the Engineering Certification Boards.
- DU. September 03, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills. Placed the ship in an Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) Environment. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA. Completed Engineering Certification (E-Cert) in less than 6 hours.
- DV. September 05, 1998 Conducted holiday safety brief and awards ceremony. Refueled the ship.

DW. September 07, 1998 Observed Labor Day.

DX. September 08, 1998 Conducted Drop Zone Mission Planning.

DY. September 09, 1998 Conducted Drop Zone Mission Planning. Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute Chesapeake Bay to conduct Drop Zone Training. Conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB)/ Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (CRRC) training. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA. LTJG (b) (6) reported TAD to THUNDERBOLT for training.

DZ. September 10, 1998 Received a visit from Rear Admiral Richards, Commander, Naval Special Warfare and Captain Patoon, Commander Special Boat Squadron Two. Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to the Eastern Shore for Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training. Conducted Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (CRRC) training. Anchored off of the Eastern Shore while conducting a night time infiltration/exfiltration exercise. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.

EA. September 14, 1998 Underway from pier 61 enroute to the Quay Wall for Ammunitions exchange. Returned to pier 61.

EB. September 15, 1998 Participated in the Navy wide E-5 examinations. Held a Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Boat Squadron 2 conference room.

EC. September 17-18, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico for Operational Readiness Examination (ORE).

ED. September 18, 1998 THUNDERBOLT ordered to return to NAB Little Creek, VA for hurricane evasion. Conducted small arms gunnery exercise. Observed Missing In Action/Prisoners Of War (MIA/POW) Day.

EE. September 19, 1998 Arrived Nab Little Creek, VA after being diverted due to hurricane Georges.

EF. September 21-22, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to the Cherry Point Operating Area for local operations.

EG. September 22-23, 1998 Operated in the Cherry Point Operating Area with other ships of the U.S. Navy. THUNDERBOLT had a casualty to #2 SSDG, returning to NAB Little Creek, VA due to casualty and high seas.

EH. September 24, 1998 Arrived NAB Little Creek, VA.

EI. September 29, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Chesapeake Bay for Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training, Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE). Conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat/ Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (RHIB/CRRC) training. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.

EJ. September 30, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Vacapes oparea to conduct Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training, Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE).

EK. October 1, 1998 Conducting Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training, Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE) in the Vacapes Oparea. Conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat/ Combat Rubber Raiding Craft

(RHIB/CRRC) training. Conducted a night time infiltration/extraction exercise. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.

- EL. October 6, 1998 Underway for NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Hannibal Small Arms Range in the upper Chesapeake Bay for Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training, Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE). Conducted small arms gunnery exercise.
- EM. October 7, 1998 On station Hannibal Small Arms Gun Range. Conducted small arms gunnery exercise. Conducted Stinger Tracking Exercise. Went to flight quarters for personnel transfer. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA. Celebrated USS THUNDERBOLT's 3rd year of commissioning with a cake cutting ceremony.
- EN. October 8, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Chesapeake Bay for Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training, Drop Zone Training. Conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat/ Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (RHIB/CRRC) training. Conducted Drop Zone Exercise. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- EO. October 9, 1998 Commenced Pre Overseas Movement(POM) leave period I.
- EP. October 10, 1998 GM1 (b) (6) detached THUNDERBOLT for Humanitarian reasons.
- EQ. October 12, 1998 Observed Columbus Day.
- ER. October 13-08 November 1998 Commenced C4I/Integrated Bridge System installation. Commenced camouflage paint scheme paint out.
- ES. Held Family Support Group Meeting at Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 conference room.
- ET. October 21-29, 1998 Commenced Pre Overseas Movement (POM) leave period II.
- EU. October 24, 1998 LT (b) (6) reports for duty as Operations Officer.
- EV. October 26-31, 1998 Commanding Officer and Operations Officer depart for La Union, El Salvador for site survey.
- EW. October 31, 1998 Commanding Officer and Operations Officer return from site survey.
- EX. October 31-08 November, 1998 Commenced Pre Overseas Movement (POM) leave period III.
- EY. November 2, 1998 Held a Family Support Group Meeting at Special Boat Squadron TWO.
- EZ. November 9, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay for Navigation Check Ride and a Patrol Coastal Photo Shoot. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.
- FA. November 10, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA enroute to Chesapeake Bay to conduct tests on the new equipment installed. Conducted Man overboard and precision anchoring training. Returned to NAB Little Creek, VA.

- FB. November 11, 1998 Observed Veterans Day.
- FC. November 12, 1998 Underway from pier 61 enroute to Quay Wall for Ammunition Onload. Arrived Quay Wall. Commenced Ammunition Onload. Conducted Boat Boom Weight Test. Underway from Quay Wall enroute to pier 58 for Crane Weight Test. Conducted Crane Weight Test. Returned to pier 61 NAB Little Creek, VA.
- FD. November 13, 1998 Conducted Anti-Terrorism/ Force Protection Pre-Deployment Brief. Conducted Awards Ceremony
- FE. November 16, 1998 Underway from NAB Little Creek, VA. Enroute to Key West, FL to begin THUNDERBOLT's 2nd major deployment. Conducted training, to include General Quarters for Damage Control and Abandon Ship Exercise. LT (b) (6) TAD to MST-8 awaiting transfer to Commander Naval Special Warfare Group 2
- FF. November 18, 1998 Arrived Key West, FL. Commanding Officer, Operations Officer and OSI attended inbrief held by Joint Inter-Agency Task Force East (JIATF East).
- FG. November 20, 1998 Underway from Key West, FL enroute to the Panama Canal. RM2 (b) (6) missed ship's movement. THUNDERBOLT departs Key West without him.
- FH. November 21, 1998 Transiting to the Panama Canal. Conducted Engineering and Damage Control (ETT/DCTT) drills.
- FI. November 23, 1998 Arrived at the Panama Canal, Anchored in Limon Bay inside the breakwaters awaiting transit through the Panama Canal. Underway from anchorage enroute to the Panama Canal. Commenced transiting the Panama Canal.
- FJ. November 24, 1998 Transited the Panama Canal. Arrived at Naval Station Rodman, Panama.
- FK. November 27, 1998 Observed Thanksgiving Day.
- FL. November 29, 1998 Underway from Naval Station Rodman, Panama enroute to La Union, El Salvador for Joint Country Exercise Training (JCET) 30 November-14 December.
- FM. November 30, 1998 Arrived La Union, El Salvador. Anchored in Bahia De La Union due to shallow water pierside. LT. (b) (6) detached.
- FN. December 1, 1998 Underway from anchorage at high tide to go pier side at the naval pier to refuel. Returned to anchorage Bahia De La Union.
- FO. December 3-4, 1998 Underway from anchorage Bahia De La Union enroute to the Gulf of Fonseca for training. Conducted Divtacs, Small Boat Launch and Recovery and GPS Navigation. Returned to anchorage Bahia De La Union. Conducted Small Boat, Diesel Engine and Weapons Training with the host nation.
- FP. December 7-8, 1998 Underway from anchorage Bahia De La Union enroute to the Gulf of Fonseca for training. Conducted Small Arms Gunnery Exercise, Visit Board Search and Seizure (VBSS). Returned

to anchorage Bahia De La Union. Participated in sports day with host nation.

- FQ. December 9, 1998 Conducted Damage Control and First Aid/Medical training to 60 host nation personnel.
- FR. December 10, 1998 Participated in Small Arms competition and sports day with the host nation. Commanding Officer and Operations Officer TAD to San Salvador for out brief with Milgru.
- FS. December 11, 1998 Commanding Officer and Operations Officer returned from TAD to San Salvador. Held reception onboard THUNDERBOLT for El Salvadorian Navy. Conducted Closing Ceremonies with the host nation. Completed over 9000 man hours of training.
- FT. December 12, 1988 Underway from anchorage Bahia De La Union enroute to Acajulta, El Salvador to refuel. Arrived Acajulta, El Salvador. Received notification that LTJG (b) (6) was detached to new duty station.
- FU. December 13, 1998 United States Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment 7E arrived in Acajulta and embarked on THUNDERBOLT. Conducted ship tour for LCDR Guillmojimenez, El Salvadorian Navy.
- FV. December 14, 1998 Underway from Acajulta, El Salvador enroute to Rodman, Panama. Conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) operations.
- FW. December 16, 1998 Arrived Naval Station Rodman, Panama.
- FX. December 18, 1998 Underway from Naval Station Rodman, Panama enroute to the Gulf Of Panama in support of Operation Conjuntos 98-2.
- FY. December 19-22, 1998 U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment 7E conducted several boardings of suspicious vessels in search of narcotics.
- FZ. December 22, 1998 Held Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) oral board for ET2 Callaway, EM3 (b) (6) and BM3 (b) (6)
- GA. December 23, 1998 Arrived Naval Station Rodman, Panama.
- GB. December 24, 1998 Underway to reposition the ship on the pier. Held awards ceremony. ET2 Callaway advanced to ET1 through the Command Advancement Program (CAP). ET1 Callaway, EM3 (b) (6) and BM3 (b) (6) presented with the Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) insignia pins. Commenced holiday routine.
- GC. December 25, 1998 Observed Christmas Day.
- GD. December 28, 1998 Conducted Seal Platoon Meeting onboard with Seal Team 4 Golf Platoon.
- GE. December 30, 1998 General Parker, Commander Special Operations Command South and LCDR Gallrein, Commanding Officer, Naval Special Warfare Unit 8 arrived onboard for a tour. Commenced holiday routine.

PART 3: NARRATIVE

USS THUNDERBOLT (PC 12) commenced the new year indrydock at Colonna's Shipyard going through a Docking Phase Maintenance Availability. The officers and crew enjoyed a few days of Christmas Standdown prior to commencing the yard period. While in the yards THUNDERBOLT was able to send several crewmembers to needed schools and it allowed others to study for rating exams and Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) qualifications.

The Pre-Light Off Training II (PLOT II) assessment began on 13 January with inport damage control drills and an overall assessment of the material and administrative workings of the Engineering department. THUNDERBOLT was graded as overall effective at the end of PLOT II.

During the time in the shipyard THUNDERBOLT was able to run several Main Space Fire Drills which took place in a converted classroom due to the ship being unavailable to properly and safely conduct them onboard. The Damage Control Assistant utilized sheets and props to make a mock training facility.

On February 21, THUNDERBOLT conducted a Fast Cruise in preparation of getting underway for the transit from Colonna's Shipyard to NAB Little Creek, VA. In Preparation to begin the Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) with the United States Coast Guard.

On March 2, commenced the turn over of USS THUNDERBOLT to the United States Coast Guard with the help of FTG conducting a CART II inspection of material and administrative records aboard THUNDERBOLT.

On March 5, USS THUNDERBOLT was placed "In Commission, Special" under the Memorandum of Agreement between the United States Navy and the United States Coast Guard. LCDR Matthew E. Miller assumed responsibility of the vessel from LT Daniel P. Shaw for the Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E). LT Shaw remained in command of the THUNDERBOLT crew.

Over the next 4 months, the crew of THUNDERBOLT were transferred to USS TEMPEST (PC-2) but occupied offices in Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 building. While there they were able to take advantage of numerous schooling opportunities. During the time in the offices, they were able to turn to the community where many crewmembers donated their time at the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters. The work in the hospital was spread out to many different areas to include Child Life- direct contact with the sick children, information desk, laundry and food service preparation. All of those who volunteered gained valuable experience in community support and furthering the image of the Navy.

On April 26, THUNDERBOLT held a Family Support Group Meeting at Special Boat Squadron 2.

On April 30, LTJG (b) (6) reported aboard for duty. LTJG (b) (6) relieved LT (b) (6) as Weapons Officer on June 15.

On 1 July, the crew of THUNDERBOLT commenced preparing for the return of their ship. On 6 July USCGC THUNDERBOLT returned from a successful exercise off the coast of Maine followed by a port visit to Lubec, Maine.

On 7 July, the United States Coast Guard began to offload their equipment and gear and the Navy crew began to move back aboard.

On 17 July, WPC THUNDERBOLT was taken out of "In Commission Special" and returned to the United States Navy where LT Daniel P. Shaw took responsibility for the vessel back from LCDR Matthew E. Miller in a ceremony which took place at Pier 61 NAB Little Creek, VA.

On July 18 the crew conducted a Fast Cruise in preparation for the upcoming training period. THUNDERBOLT got underway from NAB Little Creek enroute to the lower Chesapeake Bay in order to conduct a Full Power Demo Run and trend analysis on the Main Propulsion Diesel Engines (MPDE's). Upon completion of the Full Power Demo, THUNDERBOLT returned to Little Creek to drop off inspectors. After dropping the inspectors off at pier 61, THUNDERBOLT proceeded to pier 14 for practice in docking maneuvers. Once the docking maneuvers were completed THUNDERBOLT headed out to the VACAPES Oparea to conduct a variety of evolutions to include Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT), Anchoring Training, Abandon Ship and General Quarters for Guns. After 3 days of underway training THUNDERBOLT headed for Little Creek. During the transit back THUNDERBOLT conducted Seamanship Training Team/Combat Systems Training Team evolutions to include Man Overboard, Ship Handling Training and Precision Anchoring.

On 23 July, THUNDERBOLT got underway to the Quay Wall to conduct an Ammunitions Onload prior to beginning Command Assessment Readiness Test II (CART II) and Operational Readiness Examination (ORE) in Puerto Rico.

On 27 July THUNDERBOLT commenced the Command Assessment Readiness Test II (CART II), where a final evaluation of ready to commence TSTA I and TSTA II was given.

On 3 August, THUNDERBOLT began Tailored Ship's Training Assessment I, ETG (TSTA I). The ship commenced hot/cold checks in preparation for getting underway to conduct Engineering evolutions and drills for TSTA I assessors. On 4 and 5 August, THUNDERBOLT got underway enroute to the lower Chesapeake Bay to conduct Engineering Training Team/Damage Control Training Team (ETT/DCTT) drills. THUNDERBOLT received an overall evaluation of effective from the Engineering Training Group Inspectors.

On August 6, LT (b) (6) relieved LTJG (b) (6) as the Operations Officer. LTJG (b) (6) was sent TAD to Commander Special Boat Squadron 2 awaiting outcome of administrative procedures.

On 8 August, several crewmembers participated in Norfolk Open Base 8K run.

On August 13, SM3 (b) (6) detached from THUNDERBOLT after being found unsuitable for military duty.

On 09-14 August, THUNDERBOLT began Tailored Ship's Training Assessment I, FTG (TSTA I). During this time the crew conducted numerous walk through drills and training in various areas in preparation for Engineering Certification Board.

On 17-21 August, THUNDERBOLT began Tailored Ship's Training Assessment II, ETG (TSTA II). THUNDERBOLT got underway to the lower Chesapeake Bay in order to conduct drills for assessors. The Fleet Training Group (FTG) assessors were also onboard and inspected the ship's navigation team on proper procedure's to safely navigate the ship. Fleet Training Group (FTG) assessed an overall grade of effective all drills.

With the impending hurricane heading toward Little Creek, THUNDERBOLT refueled and transited to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD for hurricane Bonnie evasion, this occurred on 25 August. While in Annapolis, THUNDERBOLT continued to make preparations for the upcoming Engineering Certification Board and also finalized details for our Operational Readiness Examination (ORE) in Puerto Rico.

On August 31-03 September, THUNDERBOLT was underway enroute to the lower Chesapeake Bay to conduct drills for our final certification process. THUNDERBOLT was certified to conduct unrestricted Engineering Operations and Intermediate training from the Propulsion Examination Board (PEB) inspectors. The entire process took 6 hours, a new PCLant record.

On September 8 THUNDERBOLT conducted Drop Zone Mission Planning in preparation for a Drop Zone Exercise to be conducted in the lower Chesapeake Bay. On September 9 conducted Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat (RHIB) training in conjunction with the Drop Zone Exercise.

On September 9-01 October, LTJG (b) (6) reported onboard TAD for training as Operations Officer.

On September 10, THUNDERBOLT hosted RADM Richards, Commander, Naval Special Warfare and Captain Platoon, Commander, Special Boat Squadron TWO. They presented the ship's second consecutive CNO Safety Award. THUNDERBOLT was underway to the Eastern Shores to practice infiltration/exfiltration exercises utilizing Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (CRRC).

On September 15, THUNDERBOLT held an open forum Family Support Group Meeting at Special Boat Squadron 2.

On 17-18 September, THUNDERBOLT underway enroute to Puerto Rico to conduct our Operational Readiness Examination (ORE). While enroute to Puerto Rico, THUNDERBOLT was directed to return to NAB Little Creek for hurricane evasion.

On September 21, THUNDERBOLT got underway enroute to the Cherry Point Operating Area for Joint Task Force Exercise 98-1 (JTFX 98-1)). THUNDERBOLT operated in the Cherry Point Operating Area before returning to NAB Little Creek due an Engineering casualty and high seas.

On September 29-01 October, THUNDERBOLT got underway to the Virginia Capes Operating Area to conduct Naval Special Warfare Training Tactical Training/Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE) exercises. During this time, THUNDERBOLT conducted several Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat/ Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (RHIB/CRRC) evolutions as well as numerous infiltration/exfiltration exercises. THUNDERBOLT is first ship in 3 years to complete Oyster Point Mission profile.

On 6 October, THUNDERBOLT continued the Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training/Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE) by transiting up to the Hannibal Small Arms Gun Range for gunnery exercises.

On 7 October, THUNDERBOLT celebrated its 3rd year of commissioning in a ceremony on the mess decks. While transiting to Little Creek THUNDERBOLT conducted a Stinger Tracking Exercise and Medevac Training with Search and Rescue Helicopter from Naval Air Station Oceana.

On 8 October, THUNDERBOLT conducted a Drop Zone Training Exercise as well as Rigid Hull Inflatable Boat/Combat Rubber Raiding Craft (RHIB/CRRC) evolutions. THUNDERBOLT successfully concluded Naval Special Warfare Tactical Training/Operational Readiness Examination (NSWTT/ORE).

On 9 October, THUNDERBOLT commenced Pre Overseas Movement (POM) leave period I. During the POM period THUNDERBOLT took on several tasks in preparation for deployment, to include the installation of upgraded Command and Control systems. During the Pre Overseas Movement periods a family support group meeting was held to help our families understand what it was that we were going to be doing and where we were going to be going. Commanding Officer and Operations Officer conducted Pre-Deployment Site Survey in El Salvador.

On 10 October, GM1 (b) (6) detached THUNDERBOLT for Humanitarian reasons.

Upon completion of the Pre Overseas Movement period, THUNDERBOLT participated in a Patrol Coastal photo shoot and completed a satisfactory Navigation Check ride administered by Special Boat Squadron Two.

On November 16, THUNDERBOLT began her second major deployment. While enroute to Key West, FL, several drills were conducted for training and qualification. THUNDERBOLT arrived Key West, FL. The Commanding Officer and the Operations Officer attended briefs with Joint Interagency Task Force East (JIATF EAST).

On November 20, THUNDERBOLT got underway from Key West, FL en route Rodman, Panama via the Panama Canal. THUNDERBOLT transited the Panama Canal for the first time, arriving in Rodman, Panama on 24 November 1998.

On November 29, THUNDERBOLT got underway en route to La Union, El Salvador to conduct a Joint Combined Exercise Training (JCET) with the El Salvadorian Navy.

THUNDERBOLT arrived in La Union, El Salvador on 30 November and for the next 2 weeks transited in and out of port conducting missions and training with the El Salvadorian Navy. There was also plenty of inport training of the host nation including GPS Navigation, Damage Control, First Aid, Diesel Engine Repair, as well as Small Arms training and repair.

On December 11, THUNDERBOLT hosted a reception for the El Salvadorian Navy. The Commanding Officer spoke at closing ceremonies at the La Union Navy Base.

On December 12, THUNDERBOLT underway to Acajulta, El Salvador to refuel. After refueling and embarking United States Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment 7E, THUNDERBOLT proceeded to Rodman, Panama to begin Operation Conjuntos 98-2.

On December 18, THUNDERBOLT underway from Rodman, Panama to take part in Operation Conjuntos 98-2. The operation was regarded as highly successful in spite of nosezures being made. The Panamanian Navy was exceptionally pleased with THUNDERBOLT'S performance.

On December 23, THUNDERBOLT returned to Rodman, Panama for crew rest, maintenance/upkeep and the holidays.

On December 30, THUNDERBOLT was visited by General Parker, Commander Special Operations South and LCDR Gallrein, Commanding Officer, Naval Special Warfare Unit 8 for lunch with the crew and ship tours. THUNDERBOLT closed out the year inport Rodman, Panama.

**USCGC THUNDERBOLT (WPC-12)
OPERATIONAL TEST AND EVALUATION
COMMAND HISTORY, MARCH TO JULY 1998**

On 02 March 1998, the pre-commissioning crew of USCGC THUNDERBOLT assumed inport watch responsibilities from the crew of USS THUNDERBOLT. On 06 March 1998, LCDR M. E. Miller, USCG relieved LT D. P. Shaw, USN of command of PC-12 hull and related equipment. PC-12 was placed "In Commission Special" as the USCGC THUNDERBOLT (WPC-12) in order to conduct an Operational Test and Evaluation of the platform. The ship also remained in commission as the USS THUNDERBOLT, under command of LT Shaw. USCGC THUNDERBOLT shifted ADCON and OPCON to Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area.

THUNDERBOLT commenced the first phase of OT&E with Tailored Ship's Training Availability (TSTA) from 09-26 March 1998. TSTA was conducted by Fleet Training Group Norfolk at NAB Little Creek, VA. During TSTA, THUNDERBOLT conducted a port visit to Baltimore, MD from 20-22 March 1998. THUNDERBOLT departed Little Creek, VA on 30 March 1998 for counterdrug operations in the Coast Guard District Seven AOR.

While in transit to Miami, THUNDERBOLT suffered a contaminated fuel oil casualty, approximately 100 NM east of Port Canaveral, FL. After resting dead in the water for approximately one hour, THUNDERBOLT was able to get underway and steam for Port Canaveral, FL for repair. On 01 April 1998, THUNDERBOLT arrived in Port Canaveral and removed the contaminated fuel oil, cleaned the fuel oil tanks, and refueled. THUNDERBOLT departed Port Canaveral on 02 April 1998 and continued its transit to Miami, FL. No additional fuel oil casualties were experienced following THUNDERBOLT's departure from Port Canaveral.

On 02 April 1998, THUNDERBOLT arrived in Miami for a scheduled port visit. While in Miami, THUNDERBOLT conducted an open house and familiarization ride for Coast Guard Seventh District (D7) staff. THUNDERBOLT departed Miami on 06 April 1998 and shifted OPCON and TACON to Commander, Coast Guard District Seven. THUNDERBOLT's primary mission was to patrol in support of Operation Frontier Lance and Operation Frontier Shield counterdrug operations. On 07 April 1998, THUNDERBOLT arrived at Coast Guard Group Key West, FL for a logistical stop, and departed Key West on 10 April 1998. While en route to Frontier Lance THUNDERBOLT made a brief stop for fuel (BSF) at Navsta Guantanamo Bay, CU on 11 April 1998. After departing Guantanamo Bay, THUNDERBOLT patrolled south of Haiti as part of Operation Frontier Lance until a port visit in Oranjestad, Aruba, NA on 15-16 April 1998. After the port visit in Oranjestad, THUNDERBOLT returned to Operation Frontier Lance.

THUNDERBOLT shifted TACON to CTU 44.7.2, Commander, Coast Guard Greater Antilles Section (GANTSEC), on 22 April 1998 and arrived in San Juan, PR on 23 April 1998 for fuel and inchoop brief. While working for GANTSEC, THUNDERBOLT participated in Operation Frontier Shield. On 25 April 1998, THUNDERBOLT boarded the M/V ROSA YELENA (VE) in the Mona Pass and discovered 1.25 kilograms of cocaine and two vials of heroine in the main hold. The Coast Guard directed the ROSA YELENA to moor at Coast Guard Base San Juan for an INS, U.S. Customs, DEA, FURA (Forces United for Rapid Action) and Coast Guard boarding. The dockside boarding resulted in no findings other than the contraband initially discovered. The ROSA YELENA was released on the morning of 26 April 1998 and THUNDERBOLT returned to Operation Frontier Shield until a scheduled port visit in

Bridgetown, Barbados on 28 and 29 April 1998. Upon departing Barbados, THUNDERBOLT returned to Operation Frontier Shield.

On 03 May 1998, THUNDERBOLT overheard a call for assistance from the pleasure craft (P/C) Millnery in the vicinity of Vieques Island, PR. The vessel was disabled and at anchor with 6 persons on board. THUNDERBOLT diverted to take P/C Millnery in tow. However, before arriving on scene THUNDERBOLT received tasking from GANTSEC to divert to the scene of an overturned vessel with 3 persons in the water (PIW), two nautical miles west of Luis Pena Island, PR. THUNDERBOLT proceeded at best possible speed and arrived on scene simultaneously with the CGC ATTU and a FURA helicopter. THUNDERBOLT departed the scene after the three PIW were recovered by FURA and proceeded to assist P/C Millnery. THUNDERBOLT's RHIB safely towed P/C Millnery to Roosevelt Roads.

On 04 May 1998, THUNDERBOLT was diverted by GANTSEC to proceed to the scene of a narcotics airdrop northeast of San Juan, PR. THUNDERBOLT arrived on scene after the go-fast was intercepted by a U.S. Customs vessel. THUNDERBOLT commenced a search of the airdrop location for bales of narcotics that may have been thrown overboard by the go-fast. 820 kilograms of cocaine were seized aboard the go-fast, while no additional narcotics were found at the scene of the airdrop.

THUNDERBOLT moored at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, PR (NSRR) from 06-08 May 1998 for a three day maintenance and repair period. While conducting training, THUNDERBOLT's RHIB discovered a disabled P/C with engine trouble in Roosevelt Roads harbor. The RHIB towed the P/C to the marina for repairs. Upon departing NSRR, THUNDERBOLT was diverted to investigate a reported suspicious vessel in the vicinity of Puerto Maunubo, PR. THUNDERBOLT arrived on scene and launched a boarding team to

locate and board the vessel suspected of narcotics smuggling. The boarding team returned after searching with negative results. THUNDERBOLT's next port visit was on 11-12 May 1998 at Road Harbor, Anguilla, BWI. THUNDERBOLT departed Anguilla on the morning of 13 May 1998, and conducted a BSF at NSRR on 14 May 1998. THUNDERBOLT departed NSRR on 14 May 1998 and returned to Operation Frontier Lance.

THUNDERBOLT participated in Frontier Lance until an unscheduled port visit to Guantanamo Bay, CU, on 18 May 1998 to effect repairs to the NR 3 MDE, the Boat Crane, and RHIB outboard engine. THUNDERBOLT departed Guantanamo Bay on 19 May 1998 and returned to Operation Frontier Lance fully mission capable. On 20 May 1998, THUNDERBOLT shifted TACON to CTG 44.1 until mooring in Montego Bay, JM on 23 May 1998. Upon departing Jamaica on 25 May 1998, THUNDERBOLT assumed CTU 44.7.7 duties and patrolled the Eastern Bahamas. On 28-29 May 1998, THUNDERBOLT moored in Nassau, Bahamas for a port visit. Upon departing Nassau, THUNDERBOLT began a return transit to NAB Little Creek. On 30 May 1998 THUNDERBOLT shifted OPCON and TACON to Commander, Coast Guard Atlantic Area and moored at U.S. NAB Little Creek, VA on 31 May 1998. During this 63 day deployment, THUNDERBOLT executed five search and rescue cases, interdicted ten Haitian migrants, seized a stolen pleasure craft, seized 1.25 kilograms of cocaine and two vials of pure heroine, and participated in the joint seizure of 820 kilograms of cocaine.

THUNDERBOLT spent the first two weeks of June 1998 preparing for a Coast Guard First District (D1) patrol in support of Operation Atlantic Venture. THUNDERBOLT departed Little Creek, VA 15 June 1998, and shifted OPCON to the Coast Guard First District and TACON to CTU 44.1.1 on 16 June 1998. THUNDERBOLT's primary mission in D1 was the enforcement of the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Regulations.

THUNDERBOLT relieved CGC RELIANCE as CTU 44.1.1 from 17-21 June 1998. On 21 June 1998, THUNDERBOLT took the F/V VENTURE in tow, which was disabled and adrift 118 nautical miles southeast of Nantucket, MA. The TUG JAGUAR relieved THUNDERBOLT of the tow on 22 June 1998 near Nantucket, MA. While towing the F/V VENTURE, THUNDERBOLT received a report from CGC RELIANCE that the F/V PATIENCE was reported 1400 yards inside Fisheries Closed Area II (CAII) based on a two hour old position report. In response, THUNDERBOLT diverted a CG HU25 Falcon to the last known position. The aircraft reported a surface contact in the closed area and attempted to hail to vessel on VHF-FM channel 16 with negative results. CGC RELIANCE patrolled the southern edge of Fisheries CA II the following morning and boarded the F/V PATIENCE fishing inside the area. As a result, CGC RELIANCE subsequently seized the vessels catch for illegal fishing in CA II.

THUNDERBOLT moored at the Coast Guard Integrated Support Command (ISC) Boston, MA from 25-27 June 1998 to conduct a port visit and tours for D1 staff. THUNDERBOLT departed Boston in the morning of 27 June 1998 and continued to patrol for CTU 44.1.1. On 29 June 1998 THUNDERBOLT answered a call for assistance from the F/V ROCK AND ROLLER, which was disabled and adrift with engine trouble west of Fisheries Closed Area II. THUNDERBOLT established and maintained a communications guard with ROCK AND ROLLER until CGC MONOMOY arrived on scene to tow the vessel to port.

On 02 July 1998, THUNDERBOLT anchored in Winter Harbor, ME to prepare the ship for a port visit at Lubec, ME for the Fourth of July holiday weekend. THUNDERBOLT moored at the Lubec City Marina on 03 July 1998, and conducted tours of the ship for the local community. On 04 July 1998, LCDR Miller and LT USN participated in a nationwide bell ringing ceremony at 1400 local aboard THUNDERBOLT as part of Lubec's Independence Day

celebration. THUNDERBOLT departed Lubec the afternoon of 05 July 1998 and commenced a transit to Little Creek, VA. THUNDERBOLT changed OPCON and TACON to Commander, Coast Guard Atlantic Area on 06 July 1998 and moored at Little Creek later that evening, completing the Operational Test and Evaluation of USCGC THUNDERBOLT.

The relief and turnover process back to the Navy occurred between 07-17 17 July 1998. LCDR Matthew E. Miller, USCG transferred command of PC-12 and related equipment back to LT Daniel Shaw, USN at 171400Z July 1998, and removed PC-12 from "In-Commission Special" as a Coast Guard cutter.